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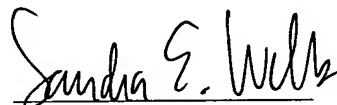
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56, § 1.97 and § 1.98, the documents listed on the accompanying U.S. Patent & Trademark Office's Modified Form-1449 are called to the attention of the Examiner for the above patent application. Copies of these documents are not enclosed as all documents were previously submitted to the Patent Office in the prior application relied upon for priority under 35 U.S.C. 120

(37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d). The prior application is U.S. Serial No. 09/689,937 filed October 11, 2000.

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